

Office of the Secretary of the State Board of Health,
Lansing, Michigan, September, 1873.

To the Clerk of the Local Board of Health:

SIR:—Herewith I send you a blank form upon which to make your Annual Report to this Board for the year ending September 30th, 1873, as required by law. PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN THIS REPORT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Also please find enclosed a form for a record of cases of diseases which endanger the public health occurring within the jurisdiction of your Board of Health. By using this, or some similar form of record, you will be better able to meet the requirements of this Board in making your annual and special reports required by law, which in future should include a full and exact copy of such record. A circular has been issued to the physicians of Michigan, calling attention to the law on this subject, and requesting them to use a form of notice which, if employed, will furnish facts for a record in your office similar to this plan. The law also requires all householders to give notice to the Board of Health or to the Health Officer, Section 1734 of Compiled Laws of 1871 being as follows: "Whenever any householder shall know that any person within his family is taken sick with the small-pox or *any other disease dangerous to the pnblic health*, he shall immediately give notice thereof to the Board of Health, or to the Health Officer of the township in which he resides; and if he shall refuse or neglect to give such notice, he shall forfeit a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars." The form of notice not being prescribed in the law, it is not expected that it will always be possible, from the notices which you will receive, to fill every column of your record; but so much as it is possible to learn concerning each case should be recorded, as the one fact of the number of cases of sickness from each such disease will doubtless be of value, in connection with the records of deaths, and other knowledge collected at this office.

A form of notice recommended by this Board for the use of householders and physicians, is enclosed herewith.

By direction of the State Board of Health.

Very Respectfully,

HENRY B. BAKER, M. D.,

Secretary.

RECORD of Cases of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health which have Occurred in the _____ of
County of _____ State of Michigan.

The reported source of Contagion or Infection, was as follows: For the case recorded as No. _____ it was _____.

[Form of Notice recommended by the State Board of Health for the use of Householders and Physicians, in complying with sections 1734 and 1735, Compiled Laws of 1871.]

To the Clerk of the*.....of.....County of.....
State of Michigan, as Clerk of the Board of Health:

SIR:—The following persons in your* have been taken sick with "diseases dangerous to the public health."†

So far as known, the source . . . of the contagious or infectious cause . . . of the disease as follows : For case

Dated at 187.

Furnished for record by.....

* Insert the word township, city, or village.

[Form of Notice recommended by the State Board of Health for the use of Householders and Physicians, in complying with sections 1784 and 1785, Compiled Laws of 1871. See over.]

To the Clerk of the*.....of.....County of.....
State of Michigan, as clerk of the Board of Health:

SIR:—The following persons in your* have been taken sick with "diseases dangerous to the public health."†

So far as known, the source . . . of the contagious or infectious cause . . . of the disease as follows : For case

Furnished for record by.....

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† Includes Small-pox, Cholera, Scarlet Fever, Typhoid Fever, Measles, Whooping Cough, etc.

Compliments of

R. C. KEDZIE, M. D.,

Member of the State Board of Health,
LANSING, MICH.

Circular of the Sec. to the clerks of local boards transmitting blank form of ann. rep't. for the year ending Sept. 30, 1873. Also, a form for record of a dangerous case. Sept., 1873.

Compliments of

R. C. KEDZIE, M. D.,

Member of the State Board of Health,

LANSING, MICH.

Sections 1734 and 1735, Compiled Laws of 1871, are as follows:

(1734.) SEC. 43. Whenever any householder shall know that any person within his family is taken sick with the small-pox, or any other disease dangerous to the public health, he shall immediately give notice thereof to the Board of Health, or to the health officer of the township in which he resides; and if he shall refuse or neglect to give such notice, he shall forfeit a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars.

(1735.) SEC. 44. Whenever any physician shall know that any person whom he is called to visit is infected with the small-pox, or any other disease dangerous to the public health, such physician shall immediately give notice thereof to the Board of Health or health officer of the township in which such diseased person may be; and every physician who shall refuse or neglect to give such notice, shall forfeit, for each offense, a sum not less than fifty nor more than one hundred dollars.